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NEXT MEETING

Thursday

JULY 31, 2008

7:00 p.m.

Redwood Multipurpose Center

JULY PRESENTATION:

HOWARD FREED

RAILROAD MEMORABILIA COLLECTOR

PLEASE PULL YOUR NAMETAG FROM THE BOARD BEFORE

7:00 P.M. TO QUALIFY FOR THE PROMPTNESS PRIZE:

A SILVER FRANKLIN HALF DOLLAR

REMEMBER TO SIGN THE LOGBOOK.

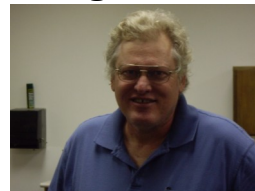
We will also hold a drawing for one winner of all Junior Members in attendance. The prize will be a "N.U.T.S. Good for \$5 Token"

**VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE FIND OF
THE MONTH**

*****Be sure and enter for our
other prizes*****

YOUR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

George Wilson



The summer is going by very fast for me. The end of June and the first part of July were very busy. The June meeting was successful and several members commented to me that Dr. Lacy's presentation was very enjoyable. Perhaps he will be able to attend one of our meetings in the future. Our coin show started early the next morning. Things went smoothly with only some minor glitches. I want to thank all of you who helped with the show. YOU ARE THE ONES WHO KEEP OUR OR-

GANIZATION ALIVE. I really don't want to be the crier of gloom and doom but, several of the dealers I talked to said that this had been the worst (money wise) Salt Lake City show they had attended. I can vouch for their comments. Last year I didn't even make enough to pay for my table, and if it hadn't been for one large sale this year I would have gone in the hole again. Summer coin shows are always some-

what slow, but the last two years have been very slow for the dealers. I have some ideas to discuss with the board but one comes to mind that everyone can help with. Flyers and posters need to be more widely distributed. Next year take some flyers and put them up where they can be seen. If we want the show to continue we need better public attendance.

After leaving the show I returned home for what seemed like a short nap, then went to the airport and flew out to Colorado Springs. The A.N.A. Summer

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We had 34 members and 2 guests in attendance at our June meeting.

The Jr. Prize was awarded to Jacob Lewis

The promptness prize was awarded to Eldon Farnsworth

The Top Prize was awarded to Chris Benson

Meeting Dates for 2008

*January 24 *February 28 *March 27 *April 24

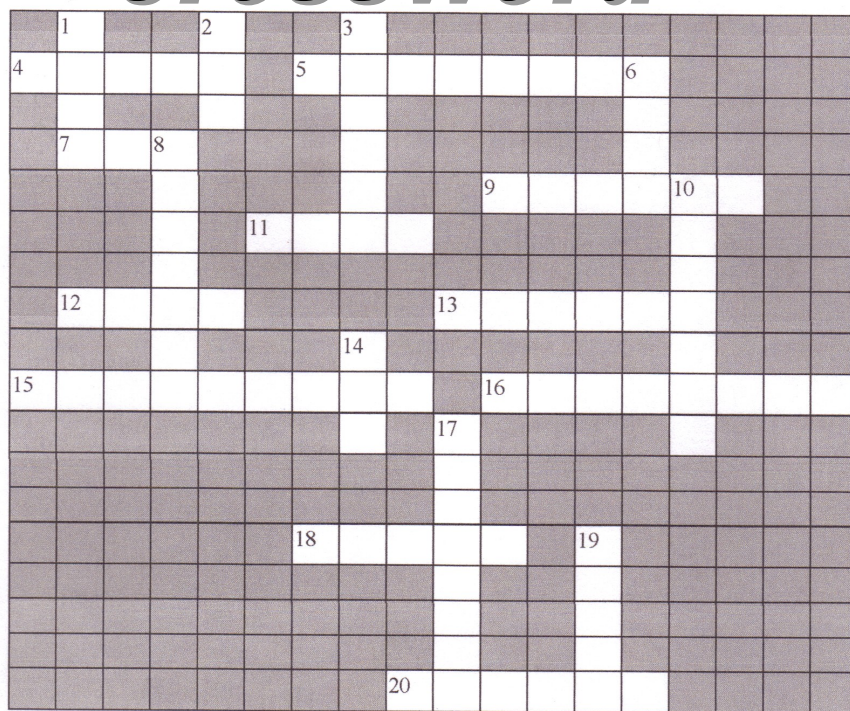
*May 22 *June 26 *July 31

*August 28 Summer Picnic *September 25

*October 23 *November 20 *December 18 Christmas Party

We will also have "Find of the Month" in March through November (excluding August) **Note** that you may only submit original "finds" since the previous N.U.T.S. meeting (normally 30 days.)

crossword



ACROSS

4. what a "good for" is called
5. also a clear soup
7. metal pattern for stamping or cutting out an object
9. the last name of 2 presidents
11. not a plant but a place
12. dr ____ was our June speaker
13. the quantity of coin made at one time
15. one who amasses something for a hobby
16. the day of the week nuts meet
18. first curator of lagoon token museum
20. find of the month wagon master

DOWN

1. 10, 14, 18 or 24
2. short for national organization
3. also LDS
6. our "token" organization
8. one in accordance with rules of conduct for metal detecting
10. the side of a coin that is the face
14. owner of aac
17. one who discovers or finds
19. a multitude or swarm

*9. US & NUTS

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WAGON MASTER RILEY GRAVES

Here are the winners for
June Find of the Month

Oldest Cent: 1904 Mel Milgrom

Oldest US Coin: Todd Monson 1903 Barber

US Coin: Neil Phillips

Foreign Coin: Mel Milgrom

Token was a tie: Eldon Farnsworth and Johnny Gallegos

Jewelry: Todd Monson

Artifact was a tie: Todd Monson and Neil Phillips

Button: Mel Milgrom

Marble: Neil Phillips

Nonmetal: Eldon Farnsworth

Bottle: Todd Monson

MEDALS CHAIRMAN Don Swain

We've sold a lot of medals for the club. We have things in the works to sell more. If you wanted some last meeting and didn't get them I have some now.

Your President's Message

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Seminar is one of the most enjoyable coin related experiences I have ever had. For one week you can take any one of several numismatic classes, tour an excellent museum, read books at the world's largest numismatic lending library, attend several lectures, bid at a numismatic auction and just hang out with fellow collectors. I highly recommend it to anyone who is serious about collecting coins.

Our July speaker will be Howard Freed. Mr. Freed is a collector of railroad memorabilia and he has agreed to share his hobby with us.

Also please remember our meeting is on July 31st which is the fifth Thursday of the month.

By the way, the next time you see Bob Campbell, ask him if it is really possible to get all four wheels of a golf cart off the ground at the same time.

See you at the meeting

A Treasure Travels, Inconspicuously The ANS Collection Relocated

They didn't exactly hire two guys with a truck to secretly move one of the world's largest and most valuable coin collections over the weekend in Manhattan. But they did use five standard-issue moving vans.

No armored-car convoys. No helicopter gunships. No National Guard outriders flourishing automatic weapons. Just sweaty movers, in blue shirts with their names stitched at the front, schlepping 425 plastic packing crates that were filled with treasures trussed in humble bubble wrap and garden-variety vinyl packing tape.



Yes, the New York Police Department provided an escort, but during more than eight hours on Saturday, one of the great hoards of coins and currency on the planet, worth hundreds of millions of dollars, was utterly unalarmed as it was bumped through potholes, squeezed by double-parked cars and slowed by tunnel-bound traffic during the trip to its fortresslike new vault a mile to the north. In the end, the move did not become a caper movie.

"The idea was to make this as inconspicuous as possible," said Ute Wartenberg Kagan, executive director of the American Numismatic Society. "It had to resemble a totally ordinary office move."



The collection of 800,000 coins, bank notes, medals, commemorative badges, pins, historic advertising tokens, campaign buttons and other artifacts has been amassed during the 150-year existence of the non-profit society.

It was transported from the society's high-security headquarters at 96 Fulton Street, in the former Fidelity and Deposit Company building at the corner of William Street, to its future home, a secure \$4 million vault and exhibition space 22 blocks away, on the 11th floor of One Hudson Square, at Varick and Canal Streets.

Once the coins reached their destination at the new home of The American Numismatic Society, the trove of coins was quickly unwrapped and filed in the new vault



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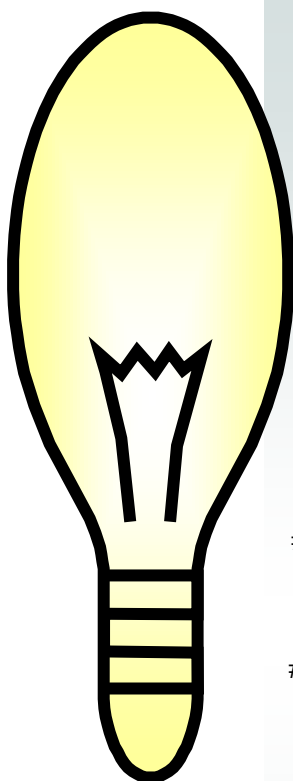


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DIG THIS

- Many 1955-S 1 cent double dies were inserted in packs of cigarettes as BU coins meant for change of 50 cents when purchasing packs of cigarettes in vending machines.
- Although slim, there was a small chance that 1933 double eagle \$20 gold coins could have been legally paid out or released at the window in Philadelphia at the mint.
- The bible is the most sold book in the world selling 50 copies every minute. It also is the most stolen book in the world.
- What coin was the first to contain "In God We Trust." (see answer on side)
- Some Sacagawea coins were specially struck in Gold in 2000 and flown on a space shuttle mission. The coins have a slightly different diameter than the clad ones. The government still retains ownership of these coins. Many collectors were hoping the US government would order the mint to make similar gold coins available to collectors as proofs.
- Take a minute and think how, when and why you started collecting tokens. Was it from your grandfather? Dad? The kid down the street? A neat token you saw of found? You enjoyed reminiscing, didn't you?
- Are you familiar with www.wheresgeorge.com? It's a pretty interesting site if you have a computer.
- I have quite a lot of coins BU and proof with mintages under 25,000. You must think me quite rich. Not the case. Many foreign coins have very low mintages and some are cheap. Even a gold coin I bought last year from Western Samoa had a mintage of only 250 and only cost \$125.00 and contains .2211 AGW. It was a 1980 Western Samoa Olympics BU \$100 coin. I paid only



It was the two cent piece.
The civil war was the main
cause for putting the motto
on the coin.

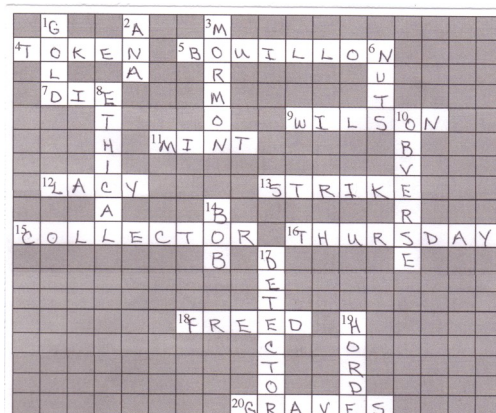
- \$12.50 for a Dominican Republic Silver crown with a 3,000 mintage. If you want truly rare coins at a reasonable price, buy foreign.
- Many Canadian coins have mintages of only 25,000 for under \$25.00. I have quite a collection of them.
- The dies for the 1921 Morgan silver dollar were completely re-engraved as all previous dies and masters had been destroyed when it was assumed they would never be needed again. Many minor differences are evident.

WAGON MASTER BRIAN JESSOP

July 2008 Prize Drawing

- #1 1/10 OZ GOLD \$ 105.00
- #2 SILVER COIN .999 FINE
- #3 BRIGHAM TRAN, CO.
- #4 HEMINGWAY & MOSER [# 3 OGDEN UT]
- #5 KEEREY MINTS D/F 5 CENTS
- #6 WASATCH STORE CO. G/F \$1.00 I/T
- #7 THE ANNEX G/F 10 CENTS I/T
- #8 COTTONWOOD DAIRY G/F 1 QUART OF MILK
- #9 MAVERICK F/G 5 CENTS IN TRADE
- #10 TRADE TOKEN G/F \$10.00
- #11 MT JORDON JUNIOR LUNCH TAG SANDY UT
- #12 D & D BAR ANCHORAGE AK.
- #13 WATTS MERC.CO G/F %5.00 IN TRADE
- #14 JULIES G/F 10 CENTS IN TRADE GRANTS-VILLE UT
- #15 UTAH LIONS CLUB 1938
- #16 POPE JOHN PAUL SILVER TOKEN 1982
- #17 JOE GREENS TAVERN S.L.C. UT.
- #18 OSTERLOHS ARCADE G/F PENNY MACHINE S.L.C.
- #19 CIVIL WAR TOKEN
- #20 SWALLOW CONF. CO FILLMORE UT.
- #21 OGDEN TRANS CO. G/F ONE FARE
- #22 WASATCH STORE CO, G/F/ 10 CENT I/T SUN-NYSIDE UT \$ 50.00
- #23 SWEETMINE BEER PARLOR SWEET MINE UT \$70.00
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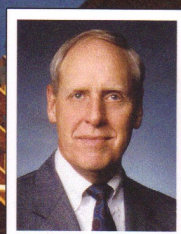
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